GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
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CHARGING OF FEES BY CBSE SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has issued any guidelines/formulated rules regarding charging of fees by private schools affiliated to CBSE and if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government has prescribed any norms regarding increase in fees and the items under which fee could be charged;

(c) if so, the number of cases reported to the Government regarding irregularities done by the private schools; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. SHASHI THAROOR)

(a)&(b): The Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE), being an autonomous body under the Ministry of Human Resource Development (HRD), prescribes the norms for the charging of fees by the private schools affiliated to it. The Affiliation Bye-Laws of the CBSE state that fees charged should be commensurate with the facilities provided by the schools.

(c)&(d): The CBSE receives sporadic complaints against schools allegedly charging exorbitant fees. The action is taken by the Board against defaulting schools depending on the merits of each case. The Board also issues circulars in this regard to schools from time to time.